

FACTS and OBSERVATIONS

Enroute to North Middletown.

Bridges, Birds, Blood Hounds, Culverts and Cattle.

On Wednesday, April 22, the writer went to North Middletown. On February 11, our last trip was made there. We then called attention to that dangerous place in the pike near the home of A. B. Ratliff. We are pleased to state that same has been repaired, and possibly a damage suit prevented. We noticed that there were defects in two culverts and a bridge before Sideview is reached: planks broken out in culverts (and in one hole a large rock, put for protection, protrudes about five inches. O: my countrymen, think what would happen if the buggy wheel were to hit that rock when the horse is going at a 2:40 gait). On the bridge the railing is broken down. If a horse, ox or man were to go over, the fall would be about 12 to 15 feet.

Lest some one should say: "here he is again fault finding" we will observe that there are many stretches (in spots) of pike which are smooth, and without gulleys washed, and we saw a most beautiful red bird sitting on the limb of a tree (only one red bird, probably looking for a mate) and the blue grass pastures are very attractive.

BLOODHOUNDS.

Have you heard it intimated that since the pikes have been made free, petit larceny has increased in the country? The farmers' poultry yards, meat houses, barns, farms, etc., have been pillaged and great loss has resulted. The toll gates served as a partial protection, for a thief did not want to risk being detected by the gate-keeper. Now that the pikes are free, many other things are free, as thieves find a ready market for stolen articles if they get more than they want for personal use.

We have heard it intimated that is this getting to be a nuisance, and there is a demand for protection.

One suggestion is that the county buy bloodhounds, so that thieves and criminals can be traced. We would like to have expressions from our readers in country and town on this subject. Our columns are open to you. If you have a grievance or suggestion, make it. Do not all speak at once. Tell us what you think about the plan. The Fiscal Court may be considering the matter, for an opportunity may arise to say yes or no.

We met Tom Thomas bringing from Bourbon 25 1040lb feeders which he bought at 4 1/2 cts.

We called at the home of B. F. Mark to see Mrs. Ella Priest, who has been sick since September.

We regret to say that her friends are not encouraged with prospects of recovery. God makes all things work together for good to those who love him. If she recovers, it will be for her good, and if she departs to be with Christ, it will be for her good—infinity better and happier will be her lot. Her suffering and the ministry of love will not be void of rich blessing.

We spent a few hours in North Middletown. This is our first visit since the fire which destroyed so much of the town. We took dinner with Mr. C. W. Gilkey and

family and were cordially received. They were heavy losers by the fire. A great loss it is when the keepsakes, mementos and the accumulations of a life time—the many articles about a home—are swept away, for there are treasures which are not estimated by dollars and cents.

Passing by, we saw H. S. Caywood pushing a lawn mower. His wife was superintending. Of course we lingered, and through the window we saw Elizabeth, aged eight months. Henry, like most fathers, thinks his babe is the sweetest and prettiest in the land. He has cause for congratulations; so have we, for at our house Master Allen Buckner has for some months been the center of attraction.

On Wednesday morning a son of Lewis Rogers fell out of a hay loft and broke his arm.

On Wednesday morning, April 22, 1903, to the wife of Hamp Robinson, a daughter.

Davis & Mitchell are now arranging to build a larger and more modern store, where they were recently burned out.

Pat Henry and family, of Plur, moved to Oklahoma a few weeks ago.

Teamsters were hauling walnut logs to Paris from Chas. Meng's farm.

Paper hangers were at work at the home of Yancy Laughlin.

Mrs. Ed Allen was quite sick.

A wedding party had gone to the home of Rev. Reynolds (see marriages).

We stopped for a few minutes at the home of J. Harve Henry. The inclement weather had brought the men in from the farm, and unexpectedly to us, we arrived "just in time" for an early supper. Thanks to the Misses Henry for their ministry to us. G. W. Lynam was spending the night. We declined the invitation to abide and reached the Christian Church in time for first song at prayer meeting, then went home.

My next trip will be to Wolfe county to attend Circuit Court, which convenes on Monday, April 27, 1903.

Miss Agnes Walsh and Miss Lillie Taul are trimming hats AT COST this season in the Martin closing out sale. 38 4t

Honored

At the meeting of the State Medical Society in Louisville Dr. Steele Bailey, of Stanford, was chosen President and Dr. J. F. Reynolds, of this city, M. B. Creel and E. P. Strickler vice Presidents. Dr. Reynolds was not present and the honor so highly appreciated by the Dr. and his friends came as a surprise and unthought. The next place of meeting is Lexington.

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